

parks. It is with this same sprit of activism and bettering the community that Ms. DeMarco embarked on her journey to advocate for improving public education for our youth. As a concerned citizen, well before her tenure on the board of education, Ms. DeMarco spearheaded campaigns to pass bond initiatives to strengthen West Bloomfield schools and create an environment of academic excellence for its students.

Beginning in 2001 Ms. DeMarco took her passion for activism and advocacy to the West Bloomfield School District Board of Education, where she has served with selflessness and tenacity. Ms. DeMarco's initial work focused on improving school curriculum, where she fought for a rigorous academic program to provide students every opportunity to excel. After just 3 years on the Board, Ms. DeMarco was appointed to the Oakland Schools Intermediate School District Board of Education where she took that same zeal for fighting for public education to both a county and national level.

Madam Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me today to honor Ms. DeMarco's decades of advocacy on behalf of her students and her community. Her presence will surely be missed. It is with much gratitude for her service and dedication that I wish her many more years of advocacy and success in building a better community for our youth.

IN HONOR OF DR. EDWARD G.
KESHOCK

HON. DENNIS J. KUCINICH

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, December 14, 2010

Mr. KUCINICH. Madam Speaker, I am saddened to learn of the passing of Dr. Edward G. Keshock. Dr. Keshock was Professor of Mechanical Engineering and Chair of the Mechanical Engineering Department at Cleveland State University. He was also Honorary Consul of the Slovak Republic for the State of Ohio since his appointment in 1999.

Ed Keshock received his Bachelor of Mechanical Engineering from the University of Detroit in 1958 and began his career in July of that year with the NASA Glenn Research Center at Lewis Field in Cleveland. There, he worked as a research engineer in the Heat Transfer Branch of the Nuclear Reactor Division. He participated in some of the earliest studies dealing with boiling heat transfer processes in low- or fractional-gravity fields, relating to applications in the newly emerging field of space exploration.

In 1964, Ed began his studies at Oklahoma State University where he earned his Master of Science and Ph.D. degrees in Mechanical Engineering in 1966 and 1968, respectively. After a distinguished career as professor at Old Dominion University, the University of Tennessee, and the Air Force Institute of Technology, Dr. Keshock returned to Cleveland in 1990. He was appointed Chair of the Mechanical Engineering Department at Cleveland State University where he served until his death.

Throughout his academic career, Dr. Keshock focused on research while teaching graduate and undergraduate classes in Mechanical Engineering. His research on the ef-

fects of microgravity on heat transfer processes spanned his career of more than 50 years.

Dr. Keshock was actively involved with the Slovak-American communities of the State of Ohio and the country of Slovakia. Dr. Keshock served as President of the Cleveland Bratislava International Sister Cities organization for most of its existence. In 1995, Dr. Keshock was appointed to be co-host to a 35-member delegation from the Slovak Republic at the White House Conference on Trade and Investment, attended and sponsored by the U.S. Government, including President Clinton and members of his White House staff.

In 1999, Dr. Keshock was appointed the Honorary Consul of the Slovak Republic for the State of Ohio. In this capacity, he not only represented the country of Slovakia in all official matters in the State of Ohio, but was involved in extensive community and international cultural programs that contribute to the improvement in the quality of life for citizens throughout the State of Ohio and Slovakia. He is also a member of the City of Cleveland Consular Corps, thus interacting with many ethnic and nationality communities.

Madam Speaker and respected colleagues, please join me in mourning the loss of a deeply respected scholar and statesman, Dr. Edward Keshock. Our condolences go out to his wife Mary Jo, their three children Kathleen of Knoxville, Tennessee; Carolyn of London, England; and Michael of Mobile, Alabama; and their three grandchildren. He leaves behind a significant and memorable personal and professional legacy.

IN RECOGNITION OF THE SCOTIA
BAND

HON. MIKE THOMPSON

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, December 14, 2010

Mr. THOMPSON of California. Madam Speaker, I rise today in recognition of the 75th anniversary of the Scotia Band, a community band formed in Humboldt County, California in 1935. The Scotia Band is a living legacy of America's musical heritage and a fixture on the North Coast of California.

The 35-piece, marching Scotia Band was established in 1935 by employees of The Pacific Lumber Company, later welcoming other musicians of the community. Women were encouraged to join during World War II, with the first woman president, Alice Gunnerson, serving from 1950–51. Local students have also participated, establishing the Scotia Band as an important part of music education in the region. Over the years, the band has involved over 700 musicians and conducted over 3,600 rehearsals.

In 1960, Sewell Lufkin was appointed band leader. A local elementary school teacher and World War II veteran, he instilled his abiding appreciation for music in his students. After his death in 1978, the Scotia Band established the Sewell Lufkin Memorial Scholarship, which continues to support Humboldt County students pursuing music education.

The Scotia Band continues to perform traditional and contemporary concert music at annual events and one-time commemorations throughout the county. Under the leadership of

the current band leader, Michael McClimon, smaller ensembles have been formed, including the Scotia Dixieland Band, the Tijuana Brass Group, the Scotia Brass Choir, the Scotia Ragtime Band and the Saxophone Quartet.

Humboldt County is proud to be the home of the Scotia Band, an historic and cultural institution that over the years has enriched the lives of many thousands of people. From the Blessing of the Fleet to the Fortuna Apple Harvest Festival, the Scotia Band has performed at hundreds of community functions that celebrate the cultural richness of the region. Their music continues to touch new generations and remind us of the traditions that make America great.

Madam Speaker, it is appropriate at this time to recognize the Scotia Band on the occasion of its 75th anniversary of outstanding musical performance and education to our community.

STRENGTH IN HONOR CPL.
TRAMPUS MILLER, A CO 1-21 INF
"GATORS", 25TH INF DIV THE
UNITED STATES ARMY

HON. GEOFF DAVIS

OF KENTUCKY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, December 14, 2010

Mr. DAVIS of Kentucky. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor a real American Hero, from my great state of Kentucky, Cpl Trampus Miller. A member of A Co. 1-21 INF "Gators" of the 25th INF DIV., The United States Army. On July 8th 2008, Cpl Miller was almost lost when a 900 lb bomb exploded in Nasar Wa Salam Iraq, killing his Brother In Arms Cpl "Doc" McMillian. Cpl Miller from Campton lost his leg and almost his life. But in a few short years he has already begun to his amazing most courageous life and recovery. He lives by a code of Strength In Honor!

STRENGTH IN HONOR

Strength In Honor
Men of might
Those brave hearts, who evil must fight!
Who but, with their most courageous hearts
. . . . so bring the light!
Kentucky born, men like Trampus with
hearts so worn so very bright!
Who all through the darkness of war, must
somehow endure and win that fight!
Yes, Trampus oh how your fine heart
so sounds, this night
For you live by such a fine code!
Of Strength In Honor, so!
As over the generations, such men as you
have so carried that load!
And bought and paid for, all of our Free-
dom's so!
Men who come back without arms and legs!
Who now so lie in such soft quiet graves
. . . .
Who all for God and Country, so gave!
For it was all in that moment!
That moment Trampus, as when you awoke
. . . .
And found what this war had so invoked!
While, close to death your fine heart so
spoke!
Spoke of Faith and Courage, which now all
of us so bless!
With but, your Strength In Honor yes!
As we watch you rebuild, as all of our hearts
you so nourish still
As you fight The Good Fight, and will not be
discouraged with but your iron will!